DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Northern New Mexico

AGENCY: Office of Environmental Management, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Virtual Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an online virtual combined meeting of the Consent Order Committee and Risk Evaluation and Management Committee of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Northern New Mexico. The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of this online virtual meeting be announced in the *Federal Register*.

DATES: Wednesday, October 13, 2021; 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held virtually via WebEx. To attend, please contact

Menice Santistevan by email, Menice.Santistevan@em.doe.gov, no later

than 5:00 p.m. MT on Friday, October 8, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Menice Santistevan, Northern New Mexico Citizens' Advisory Board (NNMCAB), 94 Cities of Gold Road, Santa Fe, NM 87506. Phone (505) 699-0631 or E-mail: *Menice.Santistevan@em.doe.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE-EM and site management in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Purpose of the Consent Order Committee (COC): It is the mission of the COC to review the Consent Order, evaluate its strengths and weaknesses, and make recommendation as to how to improve the Consent Order. It is also within the mission of this committee to review and ensure implementation of NNMCAB Recommendation 2019-02, Improving the Utility of the Consent Order with Supplementary Information. The COC will work with the NNMCAB Risk Evaluation and Management Committee to review the risk-based approaches used to determine

the prioritization of cleanup actions, as well as the "relative risk ranking" of the campaigns, targets, and milestones by the NNMCAB, to be recommended for use by the DOE EM Los Alamos Field Office (EM-LA) both within and outside of those activities covered by the Consent Order.

Purpose of the Risk Evaluation and Management Committee (REMC): The REMC provides external citizen-based oversight and recommendations to the DOE EM-LA on human and ecological health risk resulting from historical, current, and future hazardous and radioactive legacy waste operations at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL). The REMC will, to the extent feasible, stay informed of DOE EM-LA and LANL's environmental restoration and long-term environmental stewardship programs and plans. The REMC will also work with the NNMCAB COC to provide DOE EM-LA and LANL with the public's desires in determining cleanup priorities. The REMC will prepare recommendations that represent to the best of committee's knowledge and ability to determine, the public's position on human and ecological health risk issues pertaining to direct radiation or contaminant exposure to soils, air, surface and groundwater quality, or the agricultural and ecological environment.

Tentative Agenda:

- Approval of Agenda
- Old Business
- New Business
- Overview of Environmental Justice 40 (EJ40)
- Public Comment Period
- Use Attainability Analysis Aquatic Life Use Designation for Upper Sandia Canyon Perennial Reach
- Update from Deputy Designated Federal Officer

Public Participation: The online virtual meeting is open to the public. To sign up for public comment, please contact Menice Santistevan by email, Menice.Santistevan@em.doe.gov, no later than 5:00 p.m. MT on Friday, October 8, 2021. Written statements may be filed with the Committees either before or within five days after the meeting by sending them to Menice Santistevan at the aforementioned e-mail address. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is

empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of

business. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five

minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing or calling Menice Santistevan at the

address or telephone number listed above. Minutes and other Board documents are on the

Internet at: http://energy.gov/em/nnmcab/meeting-materials.

Signed in Washington, DC on September 10, 2021.

LaTanya Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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